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FOR LAOS

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1. SECTION 513(B), FAA AS AMENDED (P.L. 93-189, 17 DEC 73)

STATES THAT AFTER 30 JUNE 1974, NO MILITARY ASSISTANCE SHALL BE FURNISHED LAOS BY THE U.S. UNLESS AUTHORIZED UNDER FAA OR FOREIGN MILITARY SALES ACT. ACCORDINGLY, PROGRAMMING FOR LAOS WILL BE TRANSFERRED FROM MASF TO MAP AS OF FY 75.

2. THIS MESSAGE PROVIDES SPECIFIC DEFENSE OBJECTIVES, GUIDELINES, AND DOLLAR LEVELS FOR THE FY 1976-80 SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM INCLUDES GRANT MATERIEL ASSISTANCE AND GRANT MILITARY TRAINING. THE PLANNING OBJECTIVES AND GUIDELINES WILL BE USED AS THE BASIS FOR PLANNING/PROGRAMMING OF THE REQUIRED UPDATE TO THE FY 1976-80 SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OBJECTIVE MEMORANDUM (POM). BASED ON GUIDANCE HEREIN, AND UPON THE FORMAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER D, MASM PART 1, INPUT IS REQUIRED BY CINCPAC TO (A) JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF (FOR THE JOINT FORCES MEMORANDUM, "SUPPORT TO

OTHER NATIONS") AND (B) TO THE DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR SECURITY ASSISTANCE (FOR THE SECURITY ASSISTANCE POM FY 76-80). THIS INPUT INCLUDING ADP DETAIL, IS REQUIRED NLT 29 MARCH 1974.

3. SECURITY ASSISTANCE OBJECTIVES

(A) ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT OF A BALANCED FORCE WHICH IS OF SUFFICIENT STRENGTH TO MAINTAIN INTERNAL SECURITY, TO ALLOW FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE PEOPLE OF LAOS, AND TO PRECLUDE COMMUNIST DOMINATION OF THE ROYAL LAO GOVERNMENT (RLG), OR A COMMUNIST DOMINATED COALITION GOVERNMENT.

(B) ENCOURAGE PURSUIT BY THE ROYAL LAO GOVERNMENT ARMED FORCES (RLGAF) OF MILITARY OBJECTIVES COMPATIBLE WITH US INTERESTS AND STRATEGY.

(C) ASSIST IN A WORKABLE DEMOBILIZATION PROGRAM TO REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE RLGAF TO PEACETIME LEVELS WITHOUT DISRUPTING THE LAO ECONOMY OR JEOPARDIZING THE STABILITY OF THE RLG.

4. PROGRAM GUIDELINES

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(A) ASSUME THAT THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE CEASEFIRE WILL CONTINUE.

(B) ASSUME THAT THE LAOTIAN GROUND FORCES WILL BE REDUCED FROM THE PROJECTED END FY 75 STRENGTH OF 50,000 TO 30,000 BY THE END OF FY 76. IF REDUCTION TO 30,000 LEVEL IS NOT FEASIBLE BY END FY 76, PLEASE SUBMIT

RATIONALE TO SUPPORT HIGHER LEVEL.

(C) ASSUME THAT THE LAOTIAN AIR FORCE WILL REMAIN AT ITS CURRENT PERSONNEL STRENGTH AND WILL HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO FLY 4000 TAC AIR AND 300 GUNSHIP SORTIES PER MONTH. HOWEVER, PLAN MUNITIONS FUNDING FOR NOT MORE THAN 390 TACTICAL ATTACK AND 30 GUNSHIP SORTIES PER MONTH.

(D) ASSUME COMBAT TRAINING ACTIVITIES WILL BE PERFORMED BY RLGAFF.

(E) MAP TRAINING PROGRAM WILL BE DEVELOPED UNDER GUIDANCE IN CHAPTER E, MASM, PART 11, AT LEVELS NOT TO EXCEED \$1.2 MILLION IN FY 76 AND DECREASING TO NOT MORE THAN \$0.4 MILLION IN FY 80.

(F) DO NOT PROGRAM FMS CREDIT IN ANY YEAR UNLESS ECONOMIC FORECASTS CLEARLY INDICATE THAT LAOS CAN

ACCOMMODATE SUCH CREDITS.

5. DOLLAR GUIDELINES FOR PLANNING (\$ MILLIONS).

TOTAL MILITARY	SUPPLY	ADMIN	
SECURITY ASSISTANCE(NOTES 1,2)	OPERATIONS	COSTS	

FY 76	59	7.3 (NOTE 3)	(NOTE 4)
FY 77	58		
FY 78	58		
FY 79	57		
FY 80	50		

NOTE 1: FIGURES ARE DOD-APPROVED FOR PLANNING PURPOSES.

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IF LEVELS ARE NOT CONSIDERED ADEQUATE, YOU MAY SUBMIT HIGHER LEVELS WITH SUPPORTING RATIONALE.

NOTE 2: INCLUDES TRAINING.

NOTE 3: DEVELOPED BY DSAA.

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